

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : YAMAGUCHI, Y. et al.

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Examiner : SOROUSH, LAYLA

Docket No. : KPO-LTT-P3/LTT-82/US

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Title : METHOD FOR ADJUSTING PARTICLE SIZE OF RETINOIC ACID  
NANOPARTICLES COATED WITH INORGANIC SALT OF  
POLYVALENT METAL, AND THE NANOPARTICLES PRODUCED  
BY THE SAME METHOD (as amended herein)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir:

Prior to the examination of the present application, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.